

## **Amendments to the Claims**

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings in the application:

### **Listing of Claims**

1-10. (Canceled).

11. (New) A method for securing a bait station, comprising the steps of:  
providing a plastic bait station having a bottom in which openings are positioned;  
providing a receptacle configured to hold weighted material, the receptacle having protrusions respectively configured to extend through the openings in the bottom of the plastic bait station;  
placing pre-formed weighted material in the receptacle; and  
securing the plastic bait station to the receptacle, the securing including causing the protrusions of the receptacle to extend through the openings in the bottom of the plastic bait station.
12. (New) The method of claim 11, wherein the plastic bait station includes an integrally hinged lid.
13. (New) A method for securing a bait station, comprising the steps of:  
providing a plastic bait station having an integrally hinged lid, a bottom in which one or more openings are positioned, and side openings through which a rodent may enter and leave the plastic bait station;  
placing bait in the plastic bait station;  
providing a receptacle configured to hold weighted material, the receptacle having one or more integrally formed protrusions respectively configured to extend through the one or more openings in the bottom of the plastic bait station;  
placing pre-formed weighted material in the receptacle; and  
securing the plastic bait station to the receptacle, the securing including causing the one or more protrusions of the receptacle to extend through the one or more openings in the bottom of the plastic bait station.